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TO: All County Welfare Directors

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All County Medi-Cal Program Specialists/Liaisons

All County Health Excutives

All County Mental Health Directors

THE WORKING DISABLED (250 PERCENT WORKING DISABLED PROGRAM)

This letter provides information regarding (1) the estimated August 2001 implementation date of the 250 Percent Working Disabled Program billing system; (2) notifies the counties of an upcoming All County Welfare Director's Letter (ACWDL) that will provide answers to commonly asked questions about the 250 Percent Working Disabled Program; and (3) requests that the counties make corrections to the enclosed 250 Percent Working Disabled Program Coordinator's list.

In ACWDL 00-16, Department of Health Services (DHS) provided the counties with information and draft procedures for implementing the 250 Percent Working Disabled program. DHS also requested that the counties provide beneficiaries with at least four invoice/envelopes with which to submit their premium payment(s). This interim procedure was to be followed until the automated billing system was operational. The automated billing system is now estimated to be implemented August 2001. This system will issue monthly invoices and envelopes to the beneficiaries and will discontinue benefits when beneficiaries do not make premium payments for two consecutive billing months. DHS will notify the counties when the system is implemented. Until that time, please continue to provide the premium invoice/envelopes to beneficiaries for months up to September 2001.

An upcoming All County Welfare Director's Letter will provide answers to commonly asked questions regarding the 250 Percent Program. Please refer questions that are not addressed in the ACWDL 00-16 to Ms. Vicki Partington.

We are also preparing a distribution list for the 250 Percent County Coordinators. Please review the attached listing and provide any corrections to Ms. Vicki Partington.

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Please direct any questions regarding the 250 Percent Program or this letter to Ms. Vicki Partington at (916) 654-5909 or e-mail vparting@dhs.ca.gov.

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